# Step by Step Instruction: How to Submit a Claim using CNP Web

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"How to Submit a Claim using CNP Web" is intended for the School Food Authorities in the state of Arizona. All regulations are specific to operating the National School Lunch Program under the direction of the Arizona Department of Education.

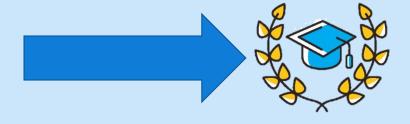
### Objectives

### The Step by Step Instructions: How to Submit a Claim using CNP Web will:

- Briefly explain claiming for reimbursement;
- Provide best practices for when to submit monthly claims;
- Review how to log in and submit a claim;
- Review frequently asked questions;
- Review common errors that occur when submitting a claim.

## Comprehension Check

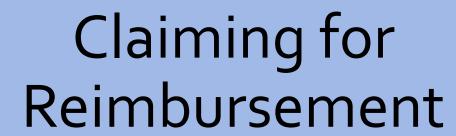
- Throughout this guide there will be comprehension quiz questions to test your knowledge and help you apply what you're learning.
- Be sure to review these quiz questions and the answers, available within the guide.
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### The Step by Step Instruction will review:

### How to Submit a Claim using CNP Web

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# Claim for Reimbursement

Federal reimbursement is provided for each meal that meets program requirements and is served to an eligible student. To obtain this reimbursement, school personnel must accurately count, record, and claim the number of meals actually served to students by category, i.e., paid, reduced-price, or free, at the point of service. The number of meals claimed for reimbursement must have adequate documentation on file to support the claim.

# Claiming with CNP Web

#### Claiming with CNP Web

- In Arizona, LEAs submit electronic site-based claims for the total reimbursable meal counts (per F/R/P) for each operating month.
- LEAs will use the application CNP Web within Common Logon.
- Based on the LEA's participation in Child Nutrition Programs, the CNPWeb claim will provide fields for NSLP, SBP and Afterschool Care Snack Program as appropriate.

# CNP Web Best Practices

#### **Best Practices related to Common Logon**

- Users are representing the LEA and have the responsibility to submit valid claims for reimbursement.
- CNP Web will provide an electronic date stamp containing the user name, date and time the action occurred (i.e. submitted claim).
- It is recommended to have more than one representative have access to CNP Web to submit claiming in the event one user is unavailable.
- If the staff member leaves the LEA, their username must be deleted and cannot be shared among staff (ideally, the LEA would have another the individual with already established CNP Web access to submit the claim).

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If only one person has access to CNP Web in Common Logon and that person is out of the office unexpectedly, or leaves their position, the LEA will not be able to submit a claim until someone else receives Common Logon access. Having at least 2 people with Common Logon access will ensure there's a backup plan in the event one person is unable to submit the claim.

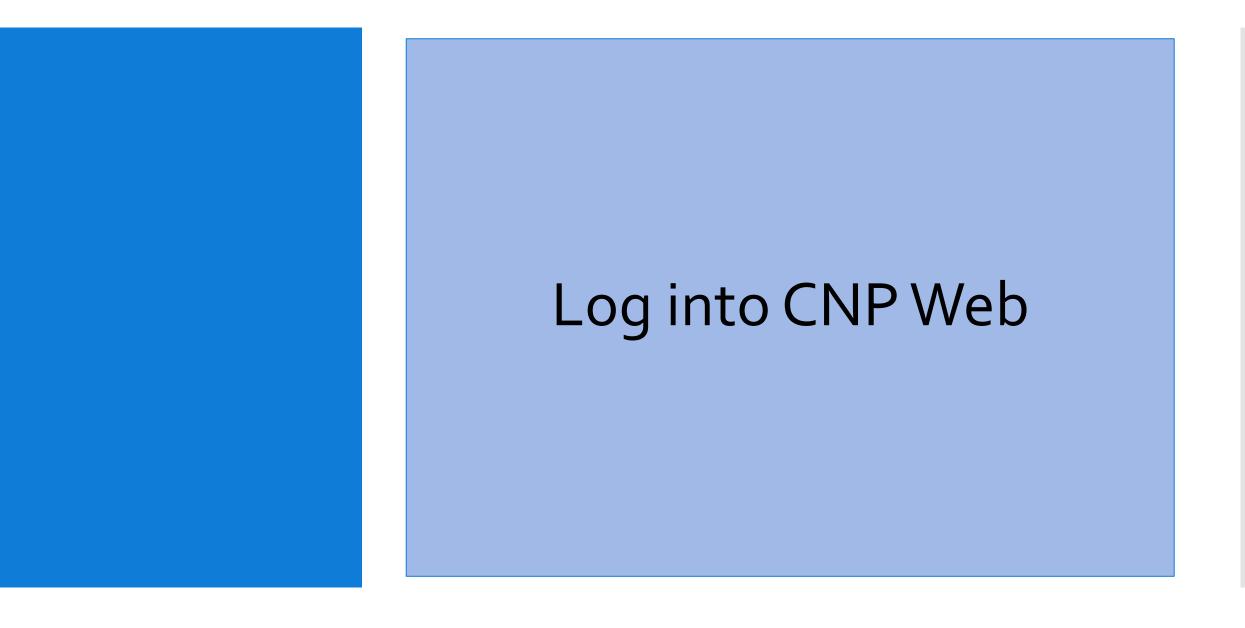
### Claiming Timeframes

#### When can I submit my claim?

- Claims submitted by the 10th of each month will be paid during the month of submission
- Claims for current month can be submitted starting the 1st day of the month following claim month
- Claims cannot be submitted in the current month for the month ahead

November 1-10 <sup>th</sup>	December 1-10 <sup>th</sup>	January 1-10 <sup>th</sup>
Submit claim for	Submit claim for	Submit claim for
operating month of	operating month of	operating month of
October	November	December

 Claims can be submitted for previous months within the 6o day deadline



#### Go to the ADE health and Nutrition Webpage:

http://www.azed.gov/health-nutrition/



Locate "Common Logon" on the upper right of the webpage. Click on the Common Logon link



#### A new webpage will load. It should look like this screen:

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  COMM	MON LOGON					
The gateway to secure data transactions and information						
Username:						
Password: Continue >>						
Please note that our web pages have new functionality which will log you out and take you back to this page if your session remains idle for too long a period of time.						
We have changed our practices regarding passwords and user accounts. <u>Click here</u> for Current Password Process.						
If you have lost your password <u>Click here</u> .						
To launch an application the user must have a valid username and password and must agree that, by using that username and password, they will abide by the ADE Acceptable Use Policy.						
• Any questions related to Common Logon account, please contact the ADE Support Center at (602) 542-7378 if you are in the Phoenix area. Outside the Phoenix area (866) 577-9636 or E-mail enterprise@ade.az.gov. Or Click here for more information.						
Check the MIS Bulletin Board for the latest news and information.						

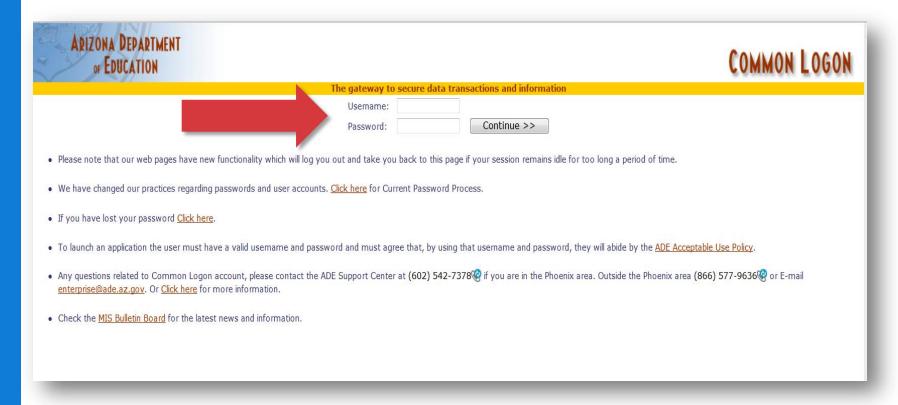


You must have a user name and password in order to access Common Logon.

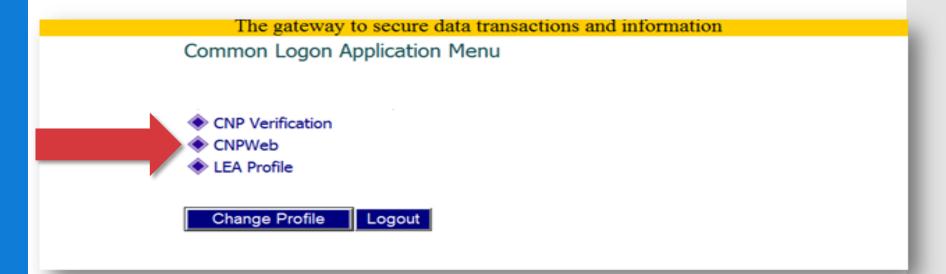
At <a href="http://www.azed.gov/health-nutrition/nslp/program-forms/">http://www.azed.gov/health-nutrition/nslp/program-forms/</a>

- 1. Read the Online Training Manual
- Complete the Requesting Common Logon Permissions for NSLP, and send to ADE.
- 3. Receive Common logon username and password in 7-10 days

#### Enter your Username and Password.

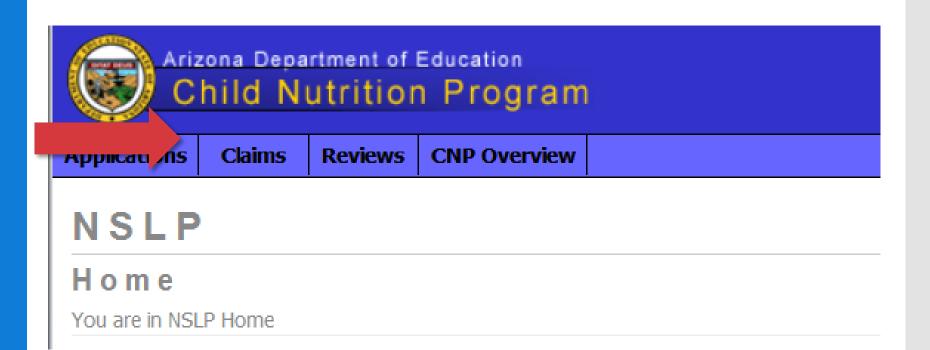


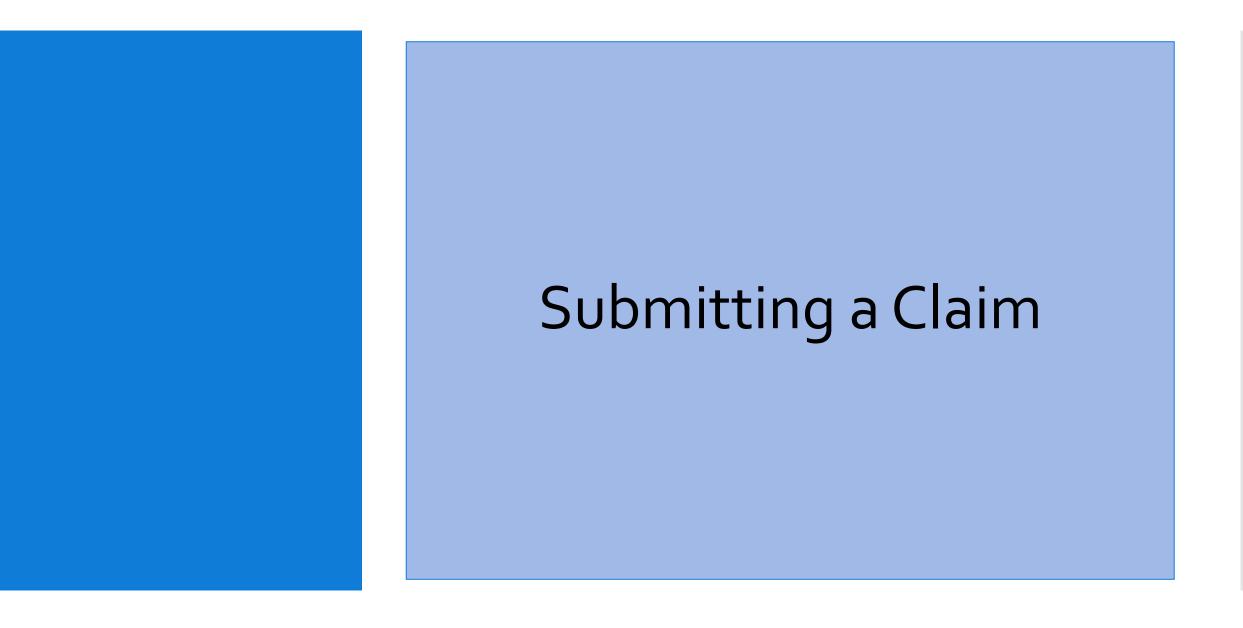
#### Click on CNP Web.



#### At the top of the webpage, click on Claims.

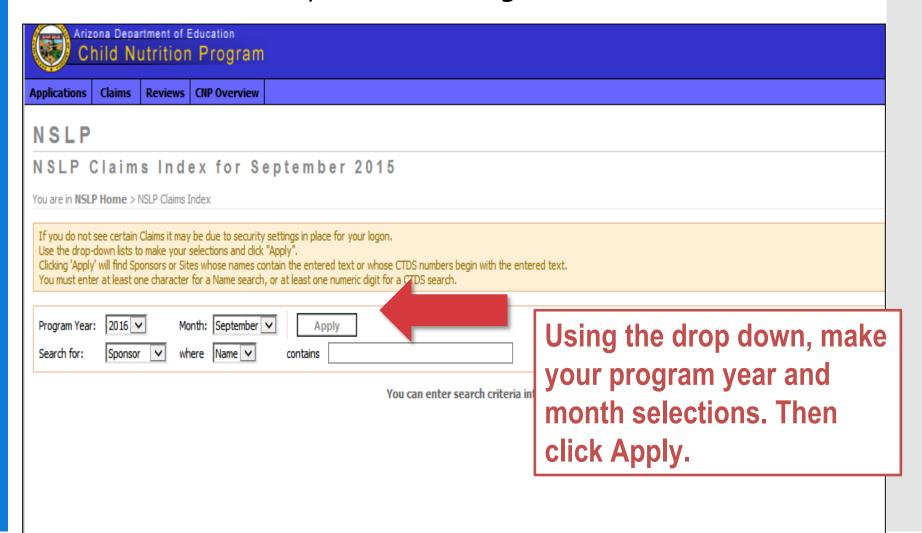
Log into CNP Web





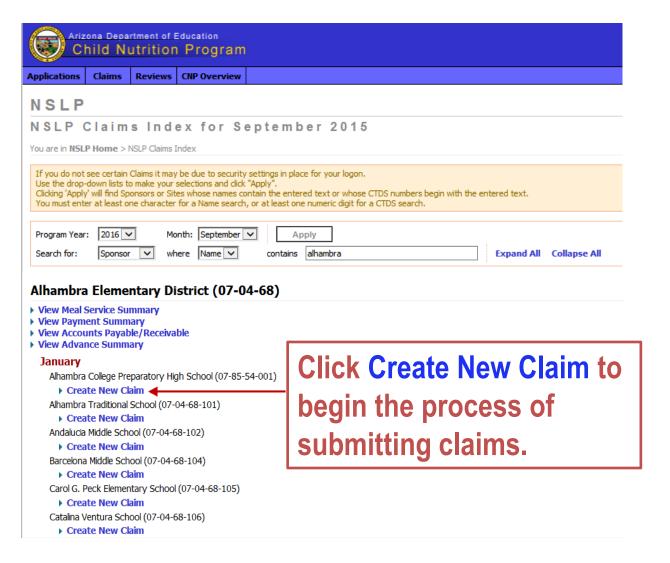
# Submitting a Claim

Claims are submitted monthly. Use the search below to access the month you are wanting to submit a claim for.

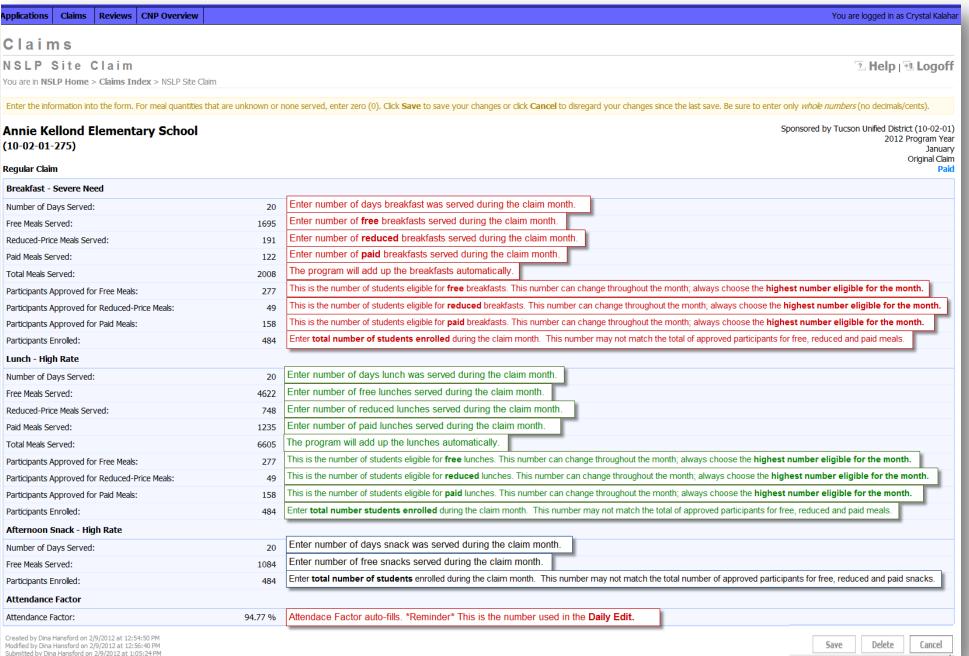


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The page will load and a list of all sites will show. A claim will be submitted for each site.



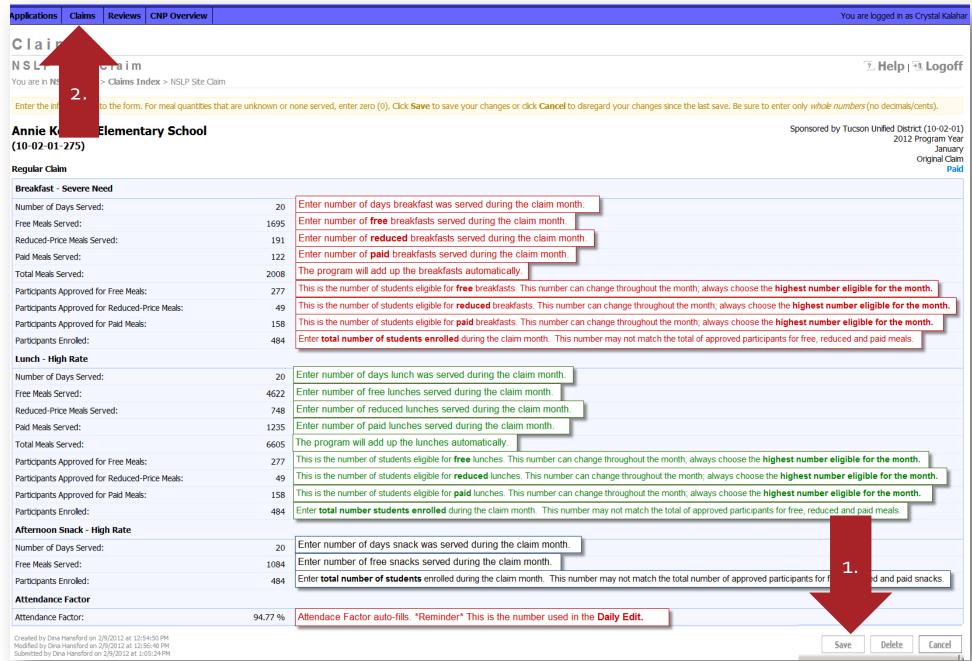
#### Entering meal counts into a Site Claim



Using your Daily Edit Check, enter in all the information for the meal service you operate.

When all the information has been entered, go to the next slide.

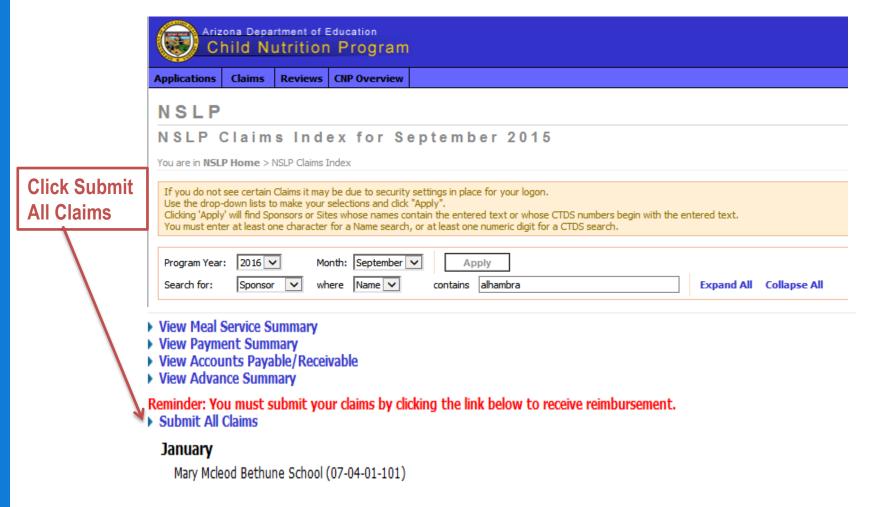
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- 1. Click SAVE.
- 2. To go back to the Claims home screen, click on the blue menu bar Claims.

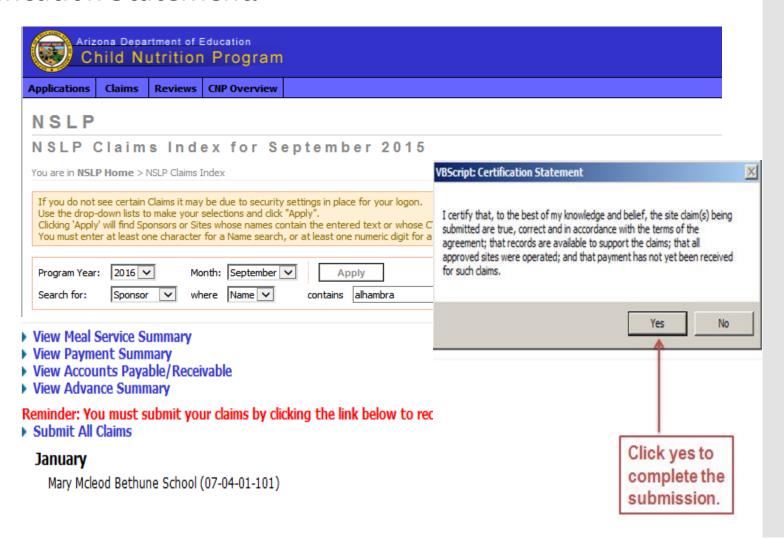
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Once all claims have been entered and "Saved", you must submit the claims to ADE.



# Submitting a Claim

A window will pop up, you must click Yes to the Certification Statement.



### Comprehension Check

What must you do to submit your claims?

- A. Click Save at the bottom of each claim. This submits it to ADE.
- B. Email your specialist when all claims have been filled out. They will click submit from their office.
- C. Click on Submit All Claims above the month and certify the information is accurate.



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Claims are not submitted until you have clicked the Submit All Claims button and certified that the information is complete and accurate. Refer to slides 24 and 25 for guidance on where these 2 buttons are located.



# Frequently Asked Questions

# Submitting a Claim

#### How am I sure the claim was submitted?

 You must hit the "Submit All Claims" link located under the red reminder.

Reminder: You must submit your claims by clicking the link below to receive reimbursement.

Submit All Claims

Claims must be in submitted status to receive reimbursement.

#### **February**

Agua Caliente School (10-02-13-105)

▶ View Site Meal Service Summary

Action	Paid	Revision	Туре	Status	Last Edited	Last Action
View		Original	Regular Claim	Submitted	03/01/2012 7:10a	Submitted by Cathy Dohoney on 03/01/2012 at 7:27 AM

- Claims left in pending status are not considered timely. Claims left in this status will not be paid.
- When looking at the Submitted to Accounting date, add 10 business days to estimate check mail date or call the payment information line at (602) 542-5300.

# Revising a Claim

#### Am I able to revise my claim?

- Claims, even in submitted status, can be revised up until the 10<sup>th</sup> and all reimbursement will come together in that month.
- Revised claims may be submitted after the original claim has been paid and the additional amount will be added to the next claim. The revision must be submitted within 60 days.

#### Revised Claim

#### If I accidently revise my claim, what do I do?

Any claim in pending or submitted status can be deleted. Go into the claim by clicking on the Edit link, scroll down to the bottom of the page, and click on Delete. A box will pop up asking you to confirm that you want to delete. Click on delete and the claim will be deleted permanently. Zeroing out the information boxes on the claim will not eliminate the claim and could cause an issue in the future if accidentally submitted.

### Combining Claims

#### Can I combine two months in one claim?

- At the beginning of the school year, the first two claims may be combined if not more than 10 days of program operation occurred in the first month.
- At the end of the school year, May and June claims may be combined if not more than 10 days of program operation occurred in June.
- June and July claims may not be combined due to the reimbursement rate change in July.
- The end of the federal fiscal year claim (September) cannot be combined with the beginning of the next federal fiscal year claim (October).

#### 60 Day Timeframe

It is December 10th and I am submitting the November claim but see that I forgot to submit my October claim in November. When is it too late to submit the October claim?

Claims can be submitted for previous months within 60 days from the end of the claim month.

For this example, the claim month is October. The last day to submit the October claim is December 30<sup>th</sup> (60 days from October 31<sup>st</sup>).

# One-Time Exception

### What if I need to submit a claim, but it is past the 60 days?

First time claims or upward revisions of claims 60 days past claim month can only be submitted as a One Time Exception, which can only be used once every 36 months. To check your eligibility, contact Mary Nesteruck.

If you are eligible to use the one-time exception, use the form "Request for One-Time Exception Form" found on the Financial Information for Health and Nutrition Services webpage: <a href="http://www.azed.gov/health-nutrition/financial-information/">http://www.azed.gov/health-nutrition/financial-information/</a>.

### Comprehension Check

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- A. The One-Time Exception allows you to make one revision to your claim, and it can be used every month.
- B. The One-Time Exception allows you to submit or revise a claim after the 60 day deadline has passed. It can be used once every 36 months.
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All claims must be submitted and revised within 60 days of the end of the claim month. If a claim needs to be revised to increase the amount of reimbursement received, or if a claim needs to be submitted after this 60-day deadline, the One Time Exception can be used. It is only available one time per LEA in a 36-month period.

#### Direct Deposit

#### How can I do a direct deposit?

Direct deposit (ACH) is the recommended form of reimbursement. The State of Arizona Direct Deposit Form can be found on the ADE website at <a href="http://www.azed.gov/health-nutrition/financial-information/">http://www.azed.gov/health-nutrition/financial-information/</a> under the Forms and Instructions Heading. Fill out the form as instructed and mail it to the address at the top of the form. The Arizona General Accounting Office (GAO) is responsible for verifying and entering the financial information submitted by the sponsor. ADE does not have access to the form or the financial information contained within it. Any questions regarding this should be directed to the Arizona GAO at 602-542-5601.

Once the information is verified and the sponsor is authorized for direct deposit, I will change the reimbursement type to direct deposit. After the first deposit, the sponsor will receive a request to verify the deposit from the GAO. If not verified, the reimbursement type will be changed back to regular check. If the request is returned as verified, reimbursements will then continue to be paid as direct deposit until the sponsor requests the GAO in writing to discontinue.

### Reimbursement Rates

#### What are the Reimbursement Rates?

Arizona Department of Education (ADE) posts reimbursement rates for the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program as soon as possible after July 1 on the ADE webpage titled <u>Program Forms</u>. These reimbursement rates are in effect from July 1 through June 30.

There are two different types of reimbursement for NSLP and SBP based on lunch claims submitted two years prior.

- NSLP: reimbursed at the Regular or High Rate
  - To be eligible for the high rate, 60 percent or more of a sponsor's total lunches served in the second preceding year (two years earlier) must have been served free or at a reduced-price.
- SBP: reimbursed at the Regular or Severe Need Rate
  - To be eligible for the severe need rate, 40 percent or more of a site's total lunches served in the second preceding school year (two years earlier) must have been served free or at a reduced-price.

Menus certified by ADE will receive an additional six cents of reimbursement in addition to the standard reimbursement rates for free, reduced-price, and paid lunch meals only. Additional reimbursement is not available for breakfast meals.



### "Out of Range" Error

#### What should I do if I am receiving an "out of range" error?

- When a saved claim shows an out of range error, double check claim entries to verify all information is correct.
- Check the ADE established attendance factor. An error will occur if actual attendance is higher.
  - If the established attendance factor is incorrect, fill out the <u>Attendance Factor Calculation Sheet</u> and fax it to the Health & Nutrition Services Unit, Financial Services.
  - Public Schools use an attendance factor that is based on information from the 40th Day Report.
  - State Schools, Correctional Institutions, and Residential Child Care Institutions use a 99% attendance factor.

#### **Technical Assistance**

If you have any questions about submitting a claim,

contact

Finance and Operations Claims
Specialist: 602-542-8700

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